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8TH DISTRICT LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS MISSISSIPPI RIVER SYSTEM WEEKLY SUPPLEMENT

Western Rivers
LIGHT LIST VOLUME V
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The Local Notice to Mariners consists of a Monthly Edition and Weekly Supplements. The Monthly Edition is published the first week of each month, and Weekly Supplemental Editions are published in the intervening weeks. Weekly Supplemental Editions contain only new information; however, ongoing events/conditions published in Weekly Supplements at times are readvertised in the following Monthly Edition. Light list corrections printed in the Weekly Supplemental Editions are not repeated in Monthly Editions.

The Current Monthly Edition is Notice Number 05-04.

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BROADCAST NOTICE TO MARINERS COVERED IN THIS EDITION

ORIGINATING UNITS	BEGINNING BNMS	THROUGH	ENDING BNMS
GROUP UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	0021-04 (UM)		0024-04 (UM)
GROUP LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	0030-04 (LM)		0039-04 (LM)
GROUP OHIO VALLEY	0072-04 (OV)		0090-04 (OV)
OB DWRO	0004-04 (OB)		0004-04 (OB)

SPECIAL NOTICES

MISSISSIPPI RIVER SYSTEM AIDS TO NAVIGATION	Due to swift currents, flowing ice and/or fast ice, floating aids to navigation may be dragged off station, diving, submerged, missing or not properly marking the channel. The aids reflective material may be ineffective due to ice. Mariners are reminded not to solely rely on buoys for safe navigation due to these factors. (07-04/D8)
RADIOTELEPHONE SERVICE 2182.0 KHZ	The U.S. Coast Guard International Distress and Calling Radiotelephone Service on the frequency 2182.0 kHz may be operating at reduced power and sensitivity due to shoreside radio infrastructure problems. Action is underway to correct these problems. The U.S. Coast Guard is operating a medium frequency Digital Selective Calling Distress and Safety Service on a trial operational basis only. A Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS) Sea Area A2 will not be declared in U.S. waters until shoreside radio infrastructure problems can be corrected. (02-04/G-OPN)
WATERWAY ANALYSIS AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEM STUDY OHIO RIVER (0.0-981.0) BIG SANDY RIVER (0.0-7.2) GREEN RIVER (0.0-149.0)	The U. S. Coast Guard is conducting a Waterways Analysis and Management System (WAMS) study of the Ohio River, Big Sandy River and Green River. The study focuses on the areas aids to navigation system, waterborne commerce, marine casualty information, port/harbor resources, emergency response plans, routine and emergency communication capabilities, and future development projects. This review period will run through February 2004. Any interested company or individual wishing to provide comments should contact the following address. You can also receive user surveys and WAMS questionnaires to help in the study by E-Mail. Mail Commander U. S. Coast Guard Group Ohio Valley 600 Martin Luther King Jr. PL. Rm. 421 Louisville, KY 40202-2245 PH: (502) 582-6439 #234 E-Mail WAMS System User Questionnaire E-Mail: wgibson@gruohiovalley.uscg.mil (44-03/OV 48-03 49-03 50-03 51-03 52-03)
ILLINOIS WATERWAY SAFETY ADVISORY UPDATE	The COTP's St. Louis, MO and Chicago, Illinois River Carriers Association and the ACOE have issued the following tow limitations: From the Peoria Narrows, Mile 165.0 to Babbs Slough, Mile 184.0, mariners are advised to limit tow length to a maximum of 600 feet excluding the towboat. LaGrange L/D is unable to pull northbound doubles and has a width restriction of 106 feet. Tows transiting these locks should set up a pull boat prior to locking through. (05-04/0012UM 06-04/0023UM 07-04/0024UM)

SPECIAL NOTICESCONTINUED

ILLINOIS WATERWAY AIDS TO NAVIGATION	Buoys between approximate Miles 291.1 and 0.0, should be considered unreliable due to ice. Ice floes render reflective material ineffective or drag buoys off station. Areas, which have experienced icing conditions, may have few if any buoys remaining. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution when transiting the area. (05-04/0014UM)
OHIO RIVER MONONGAHELA RIVER AIDS TO NAVIGATION	Due to recent ice and high water conditions on the Ohio Rivers, from Pittsburgh, PA. to Long Bottom, vicinity of Mile 210.0, and the entire Monongahela River, aids to navigation may be missing or not properly marking the channel. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution when transiting the area. (05-04/0084OV)

DISCREPANCIES AND DISCREPANCIES CORRECTED

The rivers are marked with numerous unlisted and unlighted buoys, which are periodically relocated to mark the navigational channel due to changing river conditions.

To report Aids to Navigation discrepancies contact the nearest Coast Guard Office.

Coast Guard Group Ohio Valley (800) 253-7465

Coast Guard Group Upper Mississippi River (319) 524-7511 Extension 4

Coast Guard Group Lower Mississippi River (901) 544-3912 Extension 122

FEDERAL AID DISCREPANCIES	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNMB/NM
MONONGAHELA RIVER	21975	74.8	L/B	BURWELL LIGHT	EXTINGUISHED	07-04/0081OV
FEDERAL AID DISCREPANCIES CORRECTED	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNMB/BNM
UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	17205	79.2	L/B	GRAND TOWER LIGHT	WATCHING PROPERLY	07/04
TEMPORARY CHANGES	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNMB/BNM
NONE						
TEMPORARY CHANGES CORRECTED	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNMB/BNM
OHIO RIVER	28287	959.2	R/B	GRAND CHAIN LANDING DAYBEACON	WATCHING PROPERLY	07/04
PRIVATE AID DISCREPANCIES	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNMB/BNM
NONE						
PRIVATE AID DISCREPANCIES CORRECTED	LLNR	MILE	BANK	AID NAME	STATUS	LNMB/BNM
NONE						

PROPOSED CHANGES IN AIDS TO NAVIGATION

None					
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ADVANCED CHANGES IN AIDS TO NAVIGATION

None					
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GENERAL INFORMATION

LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	MILE 682.0 – MILE 681.0 AIDS TO NAVIGATION	Due to swift currents, 4 can dike buoys between approximate Miles 682.0 and 681.0, Battle Axe Dikey, have been reported diving and unreliable. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution when transiting the area. (07-04/0036LM)
	MILE 677.0 – MILE 676.0 AIDS TO NAVIGATION	Due to swift currents, 3 can dike buoys between approximate Miles 677.0 and 676.0, Harbor Point Upper, have been reported diving and unreliable. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution when transiting the area. (07-04/0037LM)
	MILE 656.6 – MILE 655.8 AIDS TO NAVIGATION	Due to swift currents, 2 nun dike buoys between approximate Miles 656.6 and 655.8, Montezuma Bar, have been reported diving and unreliable. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution when transiting the area. (07-04/0038LM)
	MILE 640.5 – MILE 639.5 AIDS TO NAVIGATION	Due to swift currents, 2 nun buoys between approximate Miles 640.5 and 639.5, Island 63, have been reported diving and unreliable. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution when transiting the area. (07-04/0033LM)
	MILE 627.0 – MILE 626.0 AIDS TO NAVIGATION	Due to swift currents, 3 nun buoys between approximate Miles 627.0 and 626.0, Sunflower, have been reported diving and unreliable. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution when transiting the area. (07-04/0035LM)
	MILE 621.5 AIDS TO NAVIGATION	Due to swift currents, a nun dike buoy in the vicinity of Mile 621.5, Island 67, has been reported diving and unreliable. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution when transiting the area. (07-04/0034LM)
UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER	MILE 51.6 BRIDGE LIGHTING	Bill Emerson Memorial Bridge; Decorative lights to illuminate the superstructure will be operative during evening hours, dusk to midnight, starting February 21, 2004. Instructions to extinguish the lights for 45 minutes will be available to mariners by broadcast later in the week of February 16 through February 20, 2004. (07-04/OB)
OHIO RIVER	MILE 170.5 – MILE 171.4 CHANNEL CONDITION	Shoaling and toppled trees have been reported between approximate Mile 170.5 and 171.4, LDB, Marietta Island, due to a landslide. Two nun buoys have been established in the area. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution when transiting the area. (07-04/0091OV)

CORRECTIONS TO LIGHT LIST, VOLUME V; MISSISSIPPI RIVER SYSTEM, 2002 EDITION.

(* Denotes the column in which a correction has been made or new information added.)

(1) <u>No.</u>	(2) <u>Name and Location</u>	(3) <u>Mile</u>	(4) <u>Bank</u>	(5) <u>Characteristic</u>	(6) <u>Structure/Daymark</u> <u>Up</u> <u>Down</u>		(7) <u>Remarks</u>	<u>LNM</u>
None								

ENCLOSURES

None: